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For: SELECTIVE NON-CATALYTIC REDUCTION
(SNCR) OF TOXIC GASEOUS EFFLUENTS
IN AIRBAG INFLATORS /

August 21, 2001

Assistant Commissioner For Patents
Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

Responsive to the office action mailed on May 21, 2001, having a one-month period of response, please amend as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 1, 2, and 4-12.

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Please amend claim 3 as follows:

03600 MAIL ROOM

3. (amended) A vehicle occupant restraint system comprising:
- an inflatable air bag;
 - a gas generator for inflating said air bag;
 - a nitrogen-containing gas generant composition within said gas generator;

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